

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the first paragraph of the specification as follows:

Cross-reference to Related Applications

This application is a U.S. National Stage Filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 from International Application Number PCT/US2004/020149, filed June 23, 2004, and published on January 6, 2005 as WO 2005/001651 A2, which claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application serial no. 60/480,929 entitled "CASHLESS GAMING SERVICE IN A SERVICE-ORIENTED GAMING NETWORK ENVIRONMENT", filed June 23, 2003; and is related to United States Patent Application serial no. 10/788,903, entitled "A SERVICE-ORIENTED GAMING NETWORK ENVIRONMENT", (Attorney Docket 1842.020US1), filed on February 26, 2004 and assigned to the same assignee as the present application; each of which are hereby incorporated by reference herein for all purposes.